

VTAAC HPV Taskforce

Goal: Activities focus on preventing HPV infections in young Vermonters and increasing the % of youth who have completed the HPV vaccine series.

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Overview of HPV Taskforce Activities [Jan. 2024 – Sept. 2024]



Planned efforts

Group is considering alternative taskforce structures to support specific interests. Please fill out the poll to inform out next focus: <https://forms.office.com/r/7DBYtfsfyY>. Dr. Kim Daly will be giving a presentation on “Why Age 9”, which will be shared broadly. Date TBD.



Vermont Cancer Plan 2025 Alignment

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Progress to date

- **Jan. 17, 2024:** “NH Health Families: HPV PIP Project” presentation by Sandra Knowlton-Soho at NH Healthy Families. VDH Immunization Program: HPV vaccination work in schools update and the project they will be doing with SVMC. The taskforce will support their efforts. (HS)
- **Mar. 20, 2024:** Overview of SVMC HPV QI project and how the taskforce can support their efforts down the road when they are up and running. Generated ideas for membership as attendance has shrunk. Leigh is looking for another co-chair. Interest in creating subgroups for this taskforce focused on very specific topics. (HS)
- **May 23, 2024:** “Once Upon a Time: Using Evidence-Based Storytelling to Promote HPV Vaccination” presentation from Matt Dugan, MA, NNE-CTR, UVM. Hanna and Leigh are doing targeted outreach to get other clinical folks to join. Discussing alternative structure of this taskforce and will send doodle poll soon to get feedback. (HS)
- **Sept. 18, 2024:** Cancer Plan Status Report 2 review, along with a review of vaccination evidence-based interventions. Preliminary brainstorm on next steps for this taskforce – updated oral health toolkit, provider education, why age 9 education. External evaluators, PDA, conducted an engagement activity to support recruitment and engagement efforts. (HS)



Related Resources

- [VTAAC HPV Taskforce Webpage – recent meeting recording/mins.](#)
- [2025 Vermont Cancer Plan](#)
- [HPV Call-to-Action Letters \(Healthcare & Dental Health Care Versions\)](#)
- [Cancer Plan Status Report 2](#)